GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

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TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2024

STRENGTHENING THE STATISTICAL SYSTEM

2396. DR. KALPANA SAINI:
    SMT. DARSHANA SINGH:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state;

(a) initiatives taken by Government to extend more support to strengthen the statistical systems in the States/UTs; and

(b) the details of achievements thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

(a) & (b) The Ministry Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) releases Grant in Aid to States/UTs under the ongoing Central Sector sub-scheme Support for Statistical Strengthening (SSS) to strengthen the statistical capacity and operations of state statistical system for collecting, compiling and disseminating reliable official statistics. Under SSS sub-scheme, State /UTs undertake various activities such as, compilation of local level statistics, creation of integrated State databases, studies and surveys to address data gaps, compilation of core indicators at State/Sub-State level, workshops, training programmes for statistical personal, awareness campaigns for statistics, strengthening of IT infrastructure etc. So far Rs. 346.66 Crore has been released to 29 States/UTs for taking up above activities and utilization certificates for Rs. 322.00 Crore have been submitted by the States/UTs. Out of this, 14 States namely, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Odisha, Jharkhand and Bihar have completed implementation of the activities for which funds were released.

Further, MoSPI also supports States/UTs by knowledge sharing and technical assistance on compilation of various estimates and capacity building of statistical personnel through regular need-based training/workshops and other interactive methods.

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